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## **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (currently amended) A method for obtaining instrumentation data in a protocol stack, comprising the steps of:
- (a) receiving data from a first stack component of the protocol stack by a single layer manager;
- (b) analyzing the data for instrumentation information by the single layer manager; and
- (c) routing the data to a second stack component of the protocol stack by the single layer manager.
- 2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the single layer manager interfaces with each stack component of the protocol stack.
- 3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the single layer manager handles data flow to each stack component of the protocol stack.
  - 4. (currently amended) A protocol stack, comprising:

a plurality of stack components; and

a single layer manager interfaced with each of the plurality of stack components, wherein the single layer manager protocol is instrumented, wherein instrumenting the single layer manager instruments the protocol stack.

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- 5. (currently amended) The protocol stack of claim 4, wherein the single layer manager handles data flow to each of the plurality of stack components.
- 6. (currently amended) A computer readable medium with program instructions for obtaining instrumentation data in a protocol stack, comprising the instructions for:
- (a) receiving data from a first stack component of the protocol stack by a single layer manager;
- (b) analyzing the data for instrumentation information by the single layer manager; and
- (c) routing the data to a second stack component of the protocol stack by the single layer manager.
- 7. (currently amended) The medium of claim 6, further comprising instructions for the single layer manager to interface with each stack component of the protocol stack.
- 8. (currently amended) The medium of claim 6, further comprising instructions for the single layer manager to handle data flow to each stack component of the protocol stack.